

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4, 7, 8, and 12-16 are now pending in the application. Claims 1 and 12 are amended. Claims 9 and 17 are cancelled. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

This supplemental reply is filed to correct typographical errors in the Amendment filed October 15, 2007. For example, the status identifiers for claims 13-16 are corrected. Also, claim 7 is not cancelled, nor is claim 1 amended to include the limitation recited in claim 7. As proof that Applicants did not intend to cancel claim 7, Applicants note that claim 8 remains dependent from claim 7 in the Amendment filed October 15, 2007. It follows that if Applicants intended to cancel claim 7, that claim 8 would have been amended to be dependent from claim 1 in the Amendment filed October 15, 2007. As further proof that Applicants did not intend to cancel claim 7, Applicants remarks submitted in the Amendment filed October 15, 2007 are represented below to illustrate that Applicants stated that claim 7 was pending in the application.

Claims 1, 4, 7-9 and 12-17 are now pending in the application. Claims 1 and 12 have been amended and Claims 9 and 17 have been cancelled to overcome the Examiner's § 112 rejection. The amendments to the claims contained herein are of equivalent scope as originally filed and, thus, are not a narrowing amendment. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

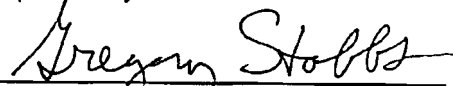
CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0750, under Order No. 5077-000209/US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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